

Winter Storm Late Tonight into Wednesday Night...

Decision Support Briefing #4
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What Has Changed?

- ✓ Winter Storm Warning remains in effect for most of the Tri-State
- ✓ Winter Storm Watch was cancelled for Southeast Suffolk.
- ✓ Winter Storm Warning was downgraded to an advisory for Northwest Suffolk, Southern Nassau, Southern Queens and Southern Middlesex.
- ✓ A Wind Advisory was issued for Southeast Suffolk.
- ✓ Coastal Flood Warnings and Advisories have been issued for the coast.













Heavy Snow	 10-16" of snowfall with locally higher amounts with snowfall rates of 1-2+" per hour. Travel will be difficult to nearly impossible. 4-8" of snow with snowfall rates of 1" per hour. 	Interior portions of the Lower Hudson Valley, SW Connecticut and NE NJ. Portions of the NYC/NJ Metro, coastal SW CT and	Steady snow after midnight tonight. Heaviest snowfall 10 AM to 8 PM Wednesday





Hazard

- 2-5" of snow
- Snow mixed with or changing to rain.

Impacts

much of Long Island.

Connecticut)

Location

Coastal Westchester.

Coastal New London,

Southern Queens and

Transition to rain begins mid to late Wednesday morning

Timing

Strong Winds



• 20 to 30 mph with gusts around 40-50 mph.

Hazardous travel.

- Any downed trees and power lines will cause power outages.
- Near white out conditions possible at times, especially across the interior.

The Tri-State area
(strongest winds along
the coast, especially
eastern Suffolk and SE

Wednesday
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Wednesday morning into early Wednesday evening

New York, NY



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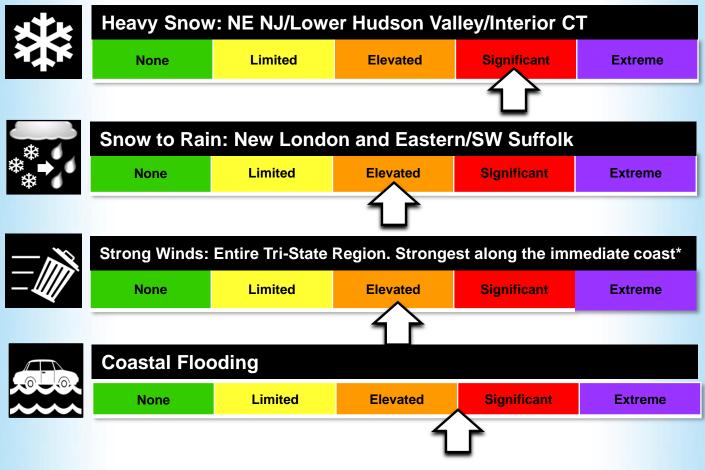


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Summary of Greatest Impacts



* Impacts from wind elevated due to wet conditions, heavy snow and previous storm impacts











Greatest uncertainty in forecast snowfall amounts due to low confidence in the location of the rain/snow line.

> A storm track *closer* to the coast will move the rain/snow line west, resulting in *lower* snowfall totals along the coast.



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High End Amount - 1 in 10 Chance (10%) Of Higher Snowfall Valid: 03/06/2018 07:00 PM - 03/08/2018 07:00 AM EST





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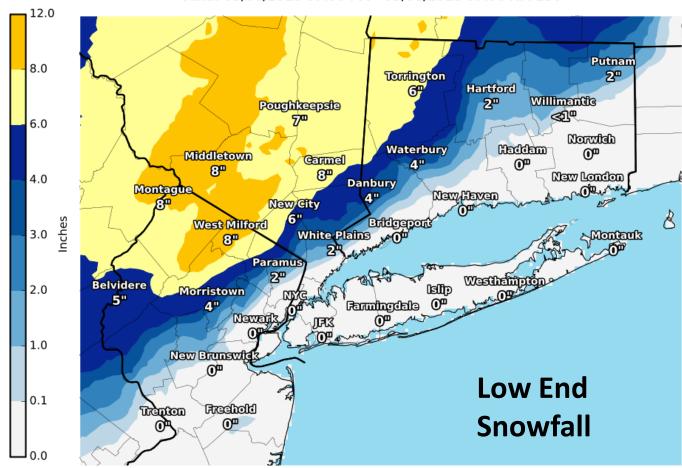














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Strong Winds

Wind Gusts Valid: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 at 03 PM EST



Strongest winds 20-30 MPH with gusts around 50 MPH likely along the coast during the morning and afternoon.



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Forecast Uncertainty

✓ If the storm continues to trend closer to the coast, snow amounts along the coastal plain will be have to be further lowered.









Event Summary

- ✓ Heavy Wet Snow across Interior
 - Downed tree limbs and powerlines
 - ✓ Snowfall rates 1 to 2 "/hr will make for travel difficult to nearly impossible.
- ✓ Snow will mix with rain along the coast, with significantly lesser amount working south and east.
- Heaviest precipitation falls from Wednesday morning into early Wednesday evening.
- ✓ Strong easterly winds of 20 to 30 mph with gusts 40 to 50 mph along the coast.
- ✓ Widespread minor to locally moderate coastal flooding expected during high tide Wednesday afternoon. Widespread moderate flooding in the southern bays of Western LI and Jamaica Bay.





